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HOUSE RESOLUTION 298
By Phillips

A RESOLUTION to commend Robert James Carter for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Robert James Carter is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for the House Calendar and Rules Committee, serving Representative Clarence "Pete" Phillips, Chairman of the House Calendar and Rules Committee; his work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the committee and the legislator he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at Cumberland University, where he is highly regarded by his peers, Mr. Carter has achieved academic success while majoring in History with a minor in Political Science, and participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including the Pre-Law Society, Phi Gamma Mu Honor Society, and Varsity Football; and

WHEREAS, an astute leader among his peers at Cumberland University, he has served as the Pre-Law Personal Relations Officer; and

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WHEREAS, Robert James Carter's persistence, extraordinary work ethic, and outstanding intellect have earned him a listing in *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities*; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carter is a highly regarded graduate of Lincoln County High School and has attended Samford University and Motlow State Community College; and

WHEREAS, he is a faithful member of the Fayetteville A.R.P. Church; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further his studies in government and law, Robert James Carter brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Nashville for the 2002 session of the One Hundred Second General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2002 legislative session, Mr. Carter has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; he has ably assisted Representative Phillips with tracking bills as they progressed from committee and informed him of concerns citizens of Lincoln County had with bills that were moving through the legislature; and

WHEREAS, an industrious and reliable young man, he served the House Calendar and Rules Committee with the utmost distinction, delivering legislative information, handling Tenn-Care and Child Support matters, serving as a liaison between Representative Phillips and County Executive Jerry Mansfield, and providing tours of Legislative Plaza and the Capitol to visiting constituents of Representative Phillips; and

WHEREAS, Robert James Carter has performed his many responsibilities with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend Robert James Carter for outstanding service as a legislative intern for the House Calendar and Rules Committee, serving Representative Clarence "Pete" Phillips, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.